"Grants for Creation of Sports Infrastructure" and "Promotion of Sports in Universities & Colleges" have been given below:

(Rs in lakhs)

SI No	Project	Amount released
2005-06		
1	Indoor Stadium at GMC Balyogi Stadium Amlapuram, Godavari	4500
2	Indoor Stadium at Dharma Apparao College Nazvid, Krishna Distt	5.00
2006-07 (Till date i.e. 31.7.2006)		
3	Indoor Stadium at Anantpur Swimming Pool	18.00
4	at Warrangal Swimming Pool at Vizianagaram	5.32
5		25.00

India's poor ranking in football

†1173. SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Indian Football team ranking has sliped to 130th position in the ranking released by Federation of International Football Association;

(b) if so, whether any action plan has been prepared to improve the standard of sports particularly football in the country;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) the amount allocated by Government during the last three years to improve the standard of football; and

(e) the details of expenditure incurred thereon?

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The development of sports and scouting and nurturing of talent in various sports disciplines including preparation of sportspersons

†Originai notice of the question was received in Hindi

and teams is primarily the responsibility of the National Sports Federation (NSF) concerned. However, the Government of India supplements the efforts of the NSFs by providing financial assistance for purchase of equipment, scientific support and training by Indian and foreign coaches, participation in international events abroad, holding of international & national tournaments in the country, sending teams abroad for training-cum-participation in international tournaments etc., as per programmes agreed to in the Long Term Development Plants (LTDPs).

Accordingly, preparation of teams/sportspersons for major international events is an ongoing process. Long-Team Development Plants (LTDP) for 4-year cycle of Olympic to Olympic for each discipline are made by the concerned National Sports Federations (NSFs) in consultation with the Sports Authority of India (SAI). These LTDPs are reviewed every year by the SAI in consultation with NSF concerned and revised on the basis of the performance of teams in various international/national events.

The All India Football Federation have informed the Ministry that they have initiated a long-team project for the upliftment of football in the country and have also launched a project to qualify for World Cup 2010— 2014.

(d) and (e) Admissible assistance is provided to recognized NSFs under the Scheme of 'Assistance to National Sports Federations' as per the approved pattern and on the basis of specific proposals received from them. The details of the grant released in last three years to All India Football Federation are as under:

(Rupees in lakh)

2003-04	2004-05	2005-06
15.99	119.36	39.04

The House then adjourned at twenty-six minutes past eleven of the clock till twelve of the clock.